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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:	Glucksmann et al.	Confirmation No.: 1875
Appl No.:	09/964,008	Group Art Unit: 1646
Filed:	September 26, 2001	Examiner: Eileen B. O'Hara
For:	15625 RECEPTOR, A NOVEL G-PROTEIN COUPLED RECEPTOR	

January 9, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 13, 2002, in which the Examiner has required restriction between three groups: Group I, namely claims 1-12, as drawn to a method for modulating the level of a polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:1 or 3 in a cell; Group II, namely claims 1-12, as drawn to a method for modulating the activity of a polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:1 or 3 in a cell; and Group III (labeled "Group IV" in the Office Action mailed November 13, 2002), namely claims 13-22, drawn to a method of modulating the level of SEQ ID NO:2 or 4 in a cell. Applicant hereby provisionally elects with traverse to prosecute the claims of Group III (claims 13-22) and expressly reserves the right to file divisional applications or take such other appropriate measures deemed necessary to protect the inventions in the remaining claims.

Should the Examiner have further questions or comments with respect to examination of this case, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned agent so that further examination of this application can be expedited.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required

therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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